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couple the computer system 100 to a network 110, which may be one or more of local (LAN), wide-area (WAN), Ethernet, Intranet, or Internet network. User interface card 107 couples user input devices, such as keyboard 111 and pointing device 112, to the computer system 100. The display card 108 is driven by CPU 101 to control the display on display device 113.

Replace the paragraph beginning at page 13, line 25 with the following rewritten paragraph:

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Thus, a "view" may be thought of as the naming of the output of a particular query, which may be used thereafter in a subsequent select. For example, suppose the reporting application executes a query that selects all nodes from cluster 1, and names the resulting output or "view" Cluster 1 Nodes. Further suppose that the reporting application executes another query that selects all nodes from cluster 2, and names that resulting "view" Cluster 2 Nodes. The reporting application may then utilize the resulting views in forming further queries, such as select all nodes from Cluster 1 Nodes and Cluster 2 Nodes. Thus, the reporting application may execute queries that contain nested views or nested select statements. Moreover, in a preferred embodiment a client can specify a query to be executed by the reporting application using views. For instance, a client may request to be notified of any change in the cluster 1 nodes and the cluster 2 nodes.

Replace the paragraph beginning at page 14, line 7 with the following rewritten paragraph:

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As an example of a preferred embodiment, suppose a node has multiple applications (e.g., multiple client applications) executing on it that each desire to be notified of certain conditions in the system. Each client application can engage a reporting application and specify exactly what the client application wants to be notified of regarding system attributes. That is, the client application may specify a condition of a system attribute, such as a change in a particular attribute, the existence of which the client application desires to be notified. In a most preferred embodiment, the client application specifies such a condition by communicating to the reporting application the query to be executed by the reporting